



LCRL PRAYER PARTNERS

SEPTEMBER: EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM

Lutheran Schools

For generations, the schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod have offered parents something wonderfully rare: a place where children learn the faith, master the secular subjects, and occasionally remember where they left their lunchbox. Long before smartphones, Wi-Fi, and whatever “influencer culture” is supposed to be, Lutheran schools were quietly doing what they do best—teaching kids to read, write, count, confess, and behave, all before recess.

These schools have always been staffed by professionally trained, committed, and dedicated educators—the kind who know every child’s name, every parent’s coffee preference, and exactly which student is likely to “accidentally” set off the classroom glue alarm. They work tirelessly to make the school a safe and caring place, even when the fire drill happens during chapel or the science fair volcano erupts prematurely.

Meanwhile, today’s students are bombarded by social media posts that confuse everything from gender to bullying to whether rules actually apply to them. (Spoiler: they do.) In the middle of this cultural fog, Lutheran schools continue to offer a consistent and historic message of traditional values, parental responsibility, and student accountability. It’s not flashy, but it works—like a good potluck or a well-worn hymnal.

The result is a structured environment where students feel safe, supported, and occasionally reminded that yes, homework still exists. Smaller class sizes mean teachers actually notice when a student tries to hide behind a backpack, and the backing of the local congregation creates a strong sense of community. Families often experience active parental involvement, close relationships with teachers and staff, and the comforting knowledge that someone is praying for their child daily—usually the teacher.

Best of all, Lutheran schools welcome students from the community regardless of the family’s faith. You don’t have to be Lutheran to appreciate a place where kids learn respect, responsibility, and the difference between Law and Gospel. You just have to appreciate a school that still believes children thrive when faith, learning, and love work together—preferably with fewer glue incidents.

The Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty asks for your partnership in praying for the schools of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.

Let Us Pray:

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, 1 Timothy 2:1-2 ESV

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, since You have committed the care and nurture of children to Your people, graciously enlighten those who teach and learn at Lutheran schools that they may know the truth and trust in You all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Lord, Bless all in authority by whose service You provide the gift of order, including parents and family and our schools. Give them strength and endurance to carry out their duties for the good of those entrusted to their care; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRINT – PERSONALIZE – Pray

The LCRL asks that you would commit to pray for the schools of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Not only do we ask that you would pray, but that you would share this prayer request with your family, friends, neighbors, and congregation.

Please see:

<https://www.tinyurl.com/lcmsschool>

for a directory of Lutheran schools near you.

Please share that you are praying for these schools as you send them an e-mail.

Please feel free to personalize this bookmark with the name(s) and location(s) of the school(s) that you will pray for in September, cut it out and keep it in your Bible for handy reference.

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First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. 1 Timothy 2:1-2 ESV

